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Dear Examiner:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 10, 2005. This request is timely because it is being filed within the three-month period allowed for a response.